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Reinspection Fees

The Jefferson County Board of Health has adopted a reinspection fee of \$75.00. This fee is intended to recover some of the Jefferson County Health Department's (JCHD's) costs when non-compliance or incomplete work requires follow-up inspections by the JCHD. The reinspection fee should not be construed as a civil penalty (fine) or punitive measure.

- A. A reinspection fee of \$75.00 will be charged to any permitted establishment when:
 - 1. More than one follow-up inspection is required to verify that all violations have been corrected following an initial change-of-ownership or pre-opening inspection, or
 - 2. A follow-up inspection is required following a routine, complaint, or compliance/enforcement inspection.
- B. When practical to do so, the Sanitarian may confirm correction of violations via an email or text message that can be printed out. In these cases, when a site visit is not required to confirm correction of a violation, no reinspection fee will be charged.
- C. A reinspection fee will not be charged when the inspection is related to:
 - 1. A foodborne illness investigation,
 - 2. A boil water order/notice, or
 - 3. An emergency such as a fire, flood, structural damage, power outage, or water outage.
- D. When a reinspection requiring a fee is conducted, the owner/operator of the establishment will be given an invoice for the \$75.00 reinspection fee.
- E. If the invoice is not paid within thirty (30) days, a reminder letter with duplicate invoice will be mailed to the establishment.
- F. If at the time of annual permitting a reinspection fee is unpaid, the unpaid reinspection fee(s) will be added to the invoice for the annual permit.
- G. An annual permit to operate will not be issued if there are unpaid reinspection fees.